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A PROGRAM OF PROGRESS

Now that the primary election has passed and the short breathing spell is at hand which comes before the regular campaign for election, it is well for the people of Ohio to pause and consider.

Governmental authorities and experts all over the country now look to Ohio as the most advanced and progressive state in the Union. They point for example to Ohio where a program of progress in honesty, efficiency and economy has been started in an exceedingly short time.

Beginning with the revolt against dishonesty and inefficiency in the handling of the money of the state, and the uprising against the rule of the corrupt political machine which had its grip on the governor, the auditor, the treasurer and the general assembly, Ohio has continued to advance. It has been a hard fight and it has been a continuous fight, nor is the end yet. The fight must be continued at the polls in November to put down the reactionaries who have again come to the front.

When Governor James M. Cox came into the office less than two years ago he found the field ripe for the progress which has been indicated under his administration. He found a series of commands for better government laid upon him by the non-political constitutional convention and approved by the people themselves. He found himself pledged to the carrying out of the promises of the most advanced platform ever adopted by any political party. And now at the end of his first term of service it is seen that the program is only begun. True the laws have been passed, the reforms have been started, the business-like conduct of all public offices in the state is under way, but it is necessary that the progress be continued. To this end it is absolutely essential that the administration of the past two years be continued. Governor Coxand the other men selected on the platform with him two years ago have the work in hand. They have demonstrated their honesty, efficiency, economy and humanity. They have kept the faith and fulfilled every promise made by them and every obligation laid upon them.

The people of Ohio must re-elect Governor Cox unless they wish to step back a half century in progress.

A NATION MOURNS

Words are but pitiful things indeed to express sympathy in Man's deepest sorrow and utter bereavement. A whole nation is iu mourning with the president of these United States. His friend, helpmeet and companion has been laid to rest. And the president of us all, the strong man of the ages, is broken and ient. He is worn and weary with the long hours of waiting while the strength of his beloved wife grew less and less, until finally there was not enough left to maintain the unequal struggle, and the Death Angel claimed his own.

But across the land have been flying words of sympathy and the messages of cheer. While these words cannot for a moment fill the void which has been created, while they cannot cause the blood to flow, the eyes to open and the lips to smile in encouragement, they can in a measure help by showing to the bereaved one the good will, the heartfelt sorrow of his people. And so from every person there is a message to President Wilson. May God be with him in his trial and sorrow and shower blessings on him, maintainnig him in his strength and vigor for the nation which needs him as a strong right arm to lean upon.

The trial of President Wilson has been doubly severe. Passing through the gravest crisis of the age in his policy with Mexico, he is now facing a still greater burden.

With the full knowledge that the being he loved on earth was slowly dying President Wilson gave to this country such service as no man has ever given before. In the face of the greatest odds he maintained peace and has saved to the country the flower of her manhood.

Then when came the gravest situation in a hundred years with all Europe at war, the president was equal to the emergency. Though his wife lay at the door of death, he sent his message of hopefulness and the offer of mediation now or at any time. With the deepest trouble of his life breaking over him, he was still able to do his duty by his country and humanity. Again we any God bless and sustain him.

It must have been a source of great consolation to Mrs. Wilson in her last hours to have the support and love of a man like

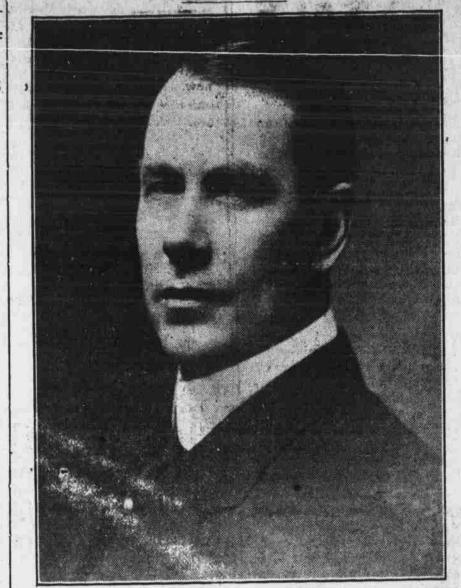
It ought to be a source of pride to every citizen of the United States to have the service and the regard of a man like Woodrow While praising him, while recognizing his sterling worth, we must realize his trial, his bereavement and sadness, his worry, and if we have hearts we must mourn with him the loss of his wife.

SAW THE HANDWRITING

Three weeks ago Republican County auditors with mock seriousness declared it would be impossible to reduce the tax rates even in the face of the halfing of the state tax levy. Then they heard from the people. Note the change that has taken place. Defiance has generally given way to submission and even in Franklin and in Hamilton county the Republican officials are declaring they will do their utmost to cut the rates.

Promises are good-performances will be better. The taxpayers will do well to keep a watch on these hifty shifters. Meanwhile, just keep in mind the simple fact that it was a Democratic State Administration standing back of the State Tax Commission that has changed the attitude from one of defiance to one of submission. The "machine" has committed the offense of protecting the taxpayers. Something that a Republican "organization" never thought of doing.

Hardin county is the first to make a report on the work of its county budget commission. The rates have been reduced from 8 to 28 per cent. The average reduction in the rates is 17 per cent. There is not a single taxing district in which reductions have not been effected.



ELSWORTH R. BATHRICK, REN'M NATED FOR CONGRESS

Root Company

When the A. I. Root Co. take new departure in their business, it is not until after long and painstaking deliberation, based upon expert knowledge covering very many years.

For some time this great concern has been practicing migratory beekeeping, moving bees from Medina to Florida and then back again after naking increase. Recently this company brought back from the south the equivalent of about 900 colonies. Of this enormous amount about onethird remains, the balance having been sold for nuclei and in pound at the above rate the company will sufficient increase to send another car-load south again, should they decide Mayor R. L. Gehman introduc-

Akron, they discovered a swampland false statements circulated concernwhere the owner, a bee man, declared ing Mr. Bathrick's record in congress. he could make increase after the main | The judge is a good speaker and little expense. The A. I. Root Co. judgement stands high. purchased a hundred colonies of this | Congressman Bathrick then ad-

thrifty a place for bees. Consequent- incarnate he has been pictured. ly they enlisted the services of Dr. C. | Election results in this county are D. Freeman, a local botanist, and in sufficiently eloquent in determining company also with Probate Judge the attitude of the people of Medina Kennan, the latter neither a bee man county in this affair. nor a botanist, but withal an able After the Medina meeting, the judge and good fellow, visited the speakers were taken to Wadsworth, Akron swamp. It proved to be al- where another meeting was held. most impenetrable and, acting upon the belief that what was found on the outer edges of the swamp would probably be found at the interior, the party contented themselves with an exploration of the hundreds of acres of waste land thereabouts.

found, however, a number of well lowing is a copy of the letter: known honey plants, recognized by

"First," says Gleanings, " there was the familiar clover on the upland. Then came the common milkweed. But what attracted our attention par- Our beloved President: Impressed toticularly on one of these incursions day, with a deep sense of our nation's was a mass of showy red blossoms loss, the people of Medina ask me to that were distributed over small extend you their heartfelt sympathy patches here and there over the in this, the hour of your great beswamp land. Dr. Freeman identified reavement. our apairy a quarter of a mile away; to bear the great crisis of your life. in only a very limited way." and Very respectfully

Visits have also been made to some

of the big swamps near Mentor and Ashtabula. But much of the swamp Seeks Bee Land was covered with a foot of water, with a heavy growth of brush and with but a few honey plants, and these scattering.

The A. I. Root Co. has not decided yet whether it will go south for more bees. It is understood that if the company is successful in breeding the bees up in the fall within 50 miles of here, or within reach of an automobile truck, it will be very much cheaper than paying \$1.00 a colony freight from the south.

THE BATHRICK MEETING

Not-with-standing that the Chautauqua kept a great many away, the crowd that greeted Congressman packages. According to the current R. Bathrick and Judge S. G. Rogers number of Gleanings in Bee Culture, in the park last Saturday night was quite a large one. There was but litnot have a hundred colonies left. In the time to advertise the coming of this case they declare they will have Mr. Bathrick on account of his having serious problem to solve in gaining been detained until the last day with

Mayor R. L. Gehman introduced Mr. Aldrich Underwood as chairman of Within the past few weeks members the meeting, who in brief manner preof the company have been scouring sented the speakers. Judge Rogers he country in automobiles in quest of spoke first and in an impassioned and bee-pasturage. At one place, near forceful manner exploded some of the honey flow was over, and for but very good Democrat and a man whose

man, and the bees will e left there to dressed the audience and with clean double in that location until removed and distinct utterance told his side of the congressional controversy. It dif-Knowing of the above mentioned fered somewhat from the stateswamp, the Root Co. had been some- ments freely circulated by his oponwhat curious to know what the swamp ent, but those who listened to the contained that should make it so speaker failed to see in him the fiend

MEDINA EXPRESSES SORROW

Acting upon the suggestion of many of our citizens, Mayor R. L. Gehman, addressed a letter of sympathy to the President of the United States last Friday in the death of Mrs. On this waste land which, accord- Wilson. It is a tender expression not ing to the account of the trip in only of the sorrow of the people of Gleanings in Bee Culture, cannot be Medina, but of the sadness felt by used eyen for cow pasturage, was the people of the whole nation. Fol-

> -President Woodrow Wilson, Executive Mansion, Washington.

Medina, O., Aug. 7, 1914

this as swamp milkweed (Asclepias We, of course, cannot fathom the incarnata). The bees were busily at sorrow which is yours to-night, but work on it-hundreds and hundred we wish you to feel that each indiof them. Then we found other hun-vidual member of our Republic has dreds busy on the blue verbena, some- been saddened by the loss, and .our times called 'vervain' (Verbena has- hearts go out to you in silent grief, tata). The roar of the bees as they in the hope that our common sympamade their way back and forth from thies may in some small way help you

the blue and the crimson as we found | May the fact that her life was so it here before our eyes in the swamp nobly lived be the consolation of your caused us to see visions of beeyards future, and may you, O God, soothe scattered around these thousands of the heartsche of gur President, is the

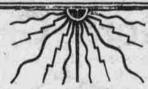
Very respectfully yours,

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LOCAL TEAM WINS PRIZE

Medina and Sterling at the baseball ton and Sterling, fought for the first tournament in Creston last Saturday game in the afternoon and Creston resulted in a victory for the Medina won by a score of 7 to 4, while Overboys in a score of 21 to 14.

all but one of them were hard fought, was small but the afternoon, atten-

favor of Overton. Then came the Me-A hotly contested game between dina-Sterling game. The losers, Creston defeated Medina for first money There were four games played and by 6 to 3: The crowd in the morning The first game was between Creston dence was good. The prizes went as and Overton and after going 12 infollows: Overton, \$15; Medina, \$10; 11: nings, resulted in a score of 7 to 5 in Creston, \$5; Sterling, \$2.50.